

one pile being treated at each sitting. The entire time required for the cure of a case is from thirty to forty days. A fresh solution is prepared for each case or treatment. I have been using this method for over a period of twelve years with very satisfactory results. There is no sloughing, there is absence of pain and no loss of time is incurred by the patient so far as his or her business is concerned. This work is done in my office, four to five minutes only being required for each treatment. I have had the experience of very few patients returning with recurrence except in the case of those who have discontinued treatment after the first or second injection, the reason for this failure to return being that the piles gave them no trouble after one or two treatments and that they thought further treatment unnecessary. I use this method only in carefully selected cases of uncomplicated internal piles, never in cases of old indurated or muco-cutaneous pile or in those of external thrombotic pile. My records show over 500 cases successfully treated during the past twelve years. Selected cases of uncomplicated hæmorrhoids, when treated with quinine-urea combined with careful technique, can be thoroughly cured, and my experience convinces me that they remain cured.

MR. W. S. PERRIN

gave the results of treatment in 380 cases of uncomplicated piles by injection with 10 per cent. carbolic acid solution. Of eighty cases two years after treatment about 50 per cent. were absolutely cured, and a little over 30 per cent. were substantially cured, but complained of trivial symptoms. Four cases of recurrence had needed re-injection and five had eventually to be operated upon. He had come to the conclusion that the method was applicable in most cases of uncomplicated piles provided they were not of very large size.

MR. CECIL ROWNTREE

said he considered that this method gave admirable results in those cases of uncomplicated hæmorrhoids in which hæmorrhage was the chief or only symptom.

DR. F. L. JELKS (Memphis) and DR. SAPHIR (New York)

opposed the injection treatment very strongly and described some disastrous cases which had come to them after being treated by injection.

MR. LIONEL E. C. NORBURY

said he had seen complicated fistulæ result from the injection of hæmorrhoids which were partly internal and partly external, and thought that this variety of hæmorrhoid should not be so treated.

MR. GRÆME ANDERSON (in reply)

pointed out that bad results usually occurred from using too strong a solution. He said that, after trial of various solutions, he had adopted a 10 per cent. solution of carbolic acid as the best.